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## Response to Notice To Comply under 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 12, 2002

Sir:

In the Notice To Comply issued July 2, 2002, it was indicated that on page 10 of the Specification an amino acid sequence is disclosed that has no Sequence ID Number. This sequence, found on line 22 in Example 1, is "HSFTLASAETTVG."

Applicants respectively submit that this sequence was identified as SEQ ID NO: 2 on page 5, lines 10 and 11 of the Specification and in claim 2 as originally filed. Accordingly, it is believed that there are no sequences provided that do not have Sequence ID Numbers. This sequence was inadvertently printed in the Example without its previously assigned Sequence ID Number and, should it be required, Applicants will amend the Specification in order to identify the sequence as Sequence ID No: 2.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss this or any other matter in order to advance the prosecution of this

Attorney Docket Number O 98393 US application, she is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney at the number below.

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